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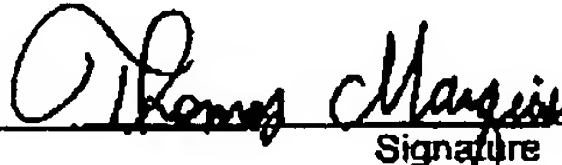
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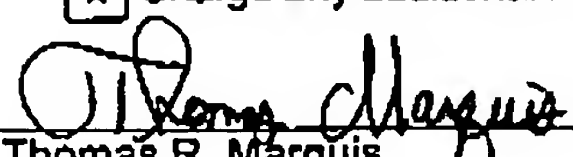
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Applicant(s): Ajay Mittal et al.					
Invention: METHOD OF REBOOTING A MULTI-DEVICE CLUSTER WHILE MAINTAINING CLUSTER OPERATION					
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For: METHOD OF REBOOTING A MULTI-  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified  
U.S. patent application as follows:

**Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.**

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